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Admiral Stansfield Turner United States Navy Director (Designate) Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Stan:

Please let me add my congratulations to the many that you have received upon your designation by the President for the position of Director, Central Intelligence Agency.

Needless to say, I think the assignment is a splendid one, one which you have unique qualifications and abilities to carry out. I've been particularly pleased in reading the accounts in the media to note that your press has been outstanding and that your superb experience and outstanding qualifications have been noted. I'm hopeful that the confirmation hearings will move swiftly to a successful conclusion.

If the letter head confuses you, I would like to bring you up to date. I have been out of the Navy now for a little over two years and after completing an assignment as the Deputy Director of the Defense Manpower Commission under General Bruce Palmer, Jr., USA (Ret.), I am now an Assistant Director of the Commission on Federal Paperwork. Our rather catchy title is saying in plain language that we're trying to make government operate more effectively where it deals with individuals, businesses, States and local communities. We have a very challenging active organization which already has close to a hundred approved recommendations that are being implemented by our government today.

Again, best wishes and smooth sailing in your new challenging position at this critical time in our nation's affairs.

Sincerely,

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